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SUBJECT: CARRIER TASK FORCE IN INDIAN OCEAN

REF: STATE 214078

1. THOMSON, ASST. UNDERSECRETARY AT THE FOREIGN OFFICE, MADE SEVERAL INQUIRIES OF EMBASSY OCTOBER 30 AND OCTOBER 31 ABOUT MOVEMENT OF HANCOCK TASK GROUP INTO INDIAN OCEAN. BY DRAWING ON WIRELESS FILE AND TRANSCRIPTS OF FRIEDHEIM BRIEFINGS WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO SATISFY HIS INTEREST.

2. TODAY THOMSON CALLED TO SAY THAT HE WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION USG WOULD BE ABLE TO SHARE WITH BRITISH

CONCERNING DISPOSITION OF HANCOCK TASK GROUP, E.G. WHAT IT IS LIKELY TO DO, AT WHAT PORTS MAY IT CALL? IN REPLY TO THOMSON WE DREW ON REFTEL, BUT TOLD HIM WE WOULD PUT HIS INQUIRY TO WASHINGTON. THOMSON MENTIONED, WITHOUT GIVING ANY DETAILS, THAT USN HAD REQUESTED "ASSISTANCE" FROM BRITISH FOR TASK FORCE (PRESUMABLY FOR REFUELING) WHICH BRITISH PREPARED TO PROVIDE.

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3. ACTION REQUESTED: GUIDANCE AS SOON AS CONVENIENT
ON HOW WE MAY FURTHER RESPOND TO THOMSON.

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